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Statement from Rep. Bowen on the Gov. Walker's Budget Proposal

MILWAUKEE – Rep. David Bowen (D-Milwaukee) issued a statement today in response to Gov. Walker's budget address:

"Gov. Walker likes to tell Republican caucus-goers in Iowa how he's not afraid to tackle the tough problems, but tonight he showcased more of the same old short-sighted politics that has kept Wisconsin last in the Midwest in jobs. Instead of working toward a long-term solution to the growing deficit in Wisconsin's transportation fund, he's proposing to delay necessary repairs and keep borrowing money until it's someone else's problem. Instead of making investments in the UW system that will make higher education affordable for middle class families, he's proposing a massive \$300 million cut and pushing off responsibility to a new state agency. Instead of giving public schools the funding they need to help our kids succeed, he's sending more public funding to unaccountable voucher schools.

The economic recovery that we're seeing all over the country has been passing Wisconsin by. We need real leadership and real solutions that will help create goodpaying jobs and rebuild our state, not more kicking the can down the road. Instead of talking about boldness in Iowa, Gov. Walker needs to start showing boldness in Wisconsin."
